

From the Eisenhart problem to Ricci solitons in f -Kenmotsu manifolds

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Abstract

The Eisenhart problem of finding parallel tensors is solved for the symmetric case in the regular f -Kenmotsu framework. On this way, the Olszack-Rosca example of Einstein manifolds provided by f -Kenmotsu manifolds via locally symmetric Ricci tensors is recovered as well as a case of Killing vector fields. Some other classes of Einstein-Kenmotsu manifolds are presented. Our result is interpreted in terms of Ricci solitons and special quadratic first integrals.

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Introduction

In 1923, Eisenhart [9] proved that if a positive definite Riemannian manifold (M, g) admits a second order parallel symmetric covariant tensor other than a constant multiple of the metric tensor, then it is reducible. In 1926, Levy [18] proved that a second order parallel symmetric non-degenerated tensor α in a space form is proportional to the metric tensor. Let us point out that this question can be considered as dual to the problem of finding linear connections making parallel a given tensor field, problem which was considered by Wong in [35]. Also, the former question implies topological restrictions namely if the (pseudo) Riemannian manifold M admits a parallel symmetric $(0, 2)$ tensor field then M is locally the direct product of a number of (pseudo) Riemannian manifolds, [36] (cited by [37]). Another situation where the parallelism of α is involved appears in the theory of *totally geodesic*

maps, namely, as is point out in [22, p. 114], $\nabla\alpha = 0$ is equivalent with the fact that $1 : (M, g) \rightarrow (M, \alpha)$ is a totally geodesic map.

While both Eisenhart and Levy work locally, Ramesh Sharma gives in [26] a global approach based on Ricci identities. In addition to space-forms, Sharma considered this *Eisenhart problem* in contact geometry [27]-[29], for example for K -contact manifolds in [28]. Since then, several other studies appear in various contact manifolds: nearly Sasakian [33], (para) P -Sasakian [32], [6] and [19], α -Sasakian [5]. Another framework was that of quasi-constant curvature in [13]. Also, contact metrics with nonvanishing ξ -sectional curvature are studied in [10].

Returning to contact geometry, an important class of manifolds are introduced by Kenmotsu in [15] and generalized by Olszack and Rosca in [21]. In the last time, there is an increasing flow of papers in this direction e.g. that of our professor N. Papaghiuc [23]-[24] to which we dedicate this short note. Motivated by this fact we studied the case of f -Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying a special condition called by us *regular* and show that a symmetric parallel tensor field of second order must be a constant multiple of the Riemannian metric. There are three remarks regarding our result:

- i) it is in agreement with what happens in all previously recalled contact geometries for the symmetric case,
- ii) it is obtained in the same manner as originated in Sharma's paper [26],
- iii) yields a class of Einstein manifolds already indicated by Olszack and Rosca but with a more complicated proof.

Let us point out also that the anti-symmetric case appears without proof in [20].

Our main result is connected with the recent theory of Ricci solitons, a subject included in the Hamilton-Perelman approach (and proof) of Poincaré Conjecture. Ricci solitons in contact geometry were first studied by Ramesh Sharma in [11] and [30]; also the preprint [34] is available to arxiv. In these papers the K -contact and (k, μ) -contact (including Sasakian) cases are treated; then our treatment for the Kenmotsu variant of almost contact geometry seems to be new.

Our work is structured as follows. The first section is a very brief review of Kenmotsu geometry and Ricci solitons. The next section is devoted to the (symmetric case of) Eisenhart problem in a f -Kenmotsu manifold and several situations yielding Einstein manifolds are derived. Also, the relationship with the Ricci solitons is pointed out. The last section offers a dynamical picture of the subject via Killing vector fields and quadratic first integrals of a special type.

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1 f -Kenmotsu manifolds. Ricci solitons

Let M be a real $2n + 1$ -dimensional differentiable manifold endowed with an almost contact metric structure (φ, ξ, η, g) :

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & \varphi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad (b) \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad (c) \quad \eta \circ \varphi = 0, \\ (d) \quad & \varphi(\xi) = 0, \quad (e) \quad \eta(X) = g(X, \xi), \\ (f) \quad & g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

for any vector fields $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ where I is the identity of the tangent bundle TM , φ is a tensor field of $(1, 1)$ -type, η is a 1-form, ξ is a vector field and g is a metric tensor field. Throughout the paper all objects are differentiable of class C^∞ .

We say that $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ is an f -Kenmotsu manifold if the Levi-Civita connection of g satisfy [20]:

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)(Y) = f(g(\varphi X, Y)\xi - \varphi(X)\eta(Y)), \tag{1.2}$$

where $f \in C^\infty(M)$ is strictly positive and $df \wedge \eta = 0$ holds. A $f = \text{constant} \equiv \beta > 0$ is called β -Kenmotsu manifold with the particular case $f \equiv 1$ -Kenmotsu manifold which is a usual Kenmotsu manifold [15].

In a general f -Kenmotsu manifold we have, [21]:

$$\nabla_X \xi = f(X - \eta(X)\xi), \tag{1.3}$$

and the curvature tensor field:

$$R(X, Y)\xi = f^2(\eta(X)Y - \eta(Y)X) + Y(f)\varphi^2 X - X(f)\varphi^2 Y \tag{1.4}$$

while the Ricci curvature and Ricci tensor are, [16]:

$$S(\xi, \xi) = -2n(f^2 + \xi(f)) \tag{1.5}$$

$$Q(\xi) = -2nf^2\xi - \xi(f)\xi - (2n - 1)gradf. \tag{1.6}$$

In the last part of this section we recall the notion of Ricci solitons according to [30, p. 139]. On the manifold M , a *Ricci soliton* is a triple (g, V, λ) with g a Riemannian metric, V a vector field and λ a real scalar such that:

$$\mathcal{L}_V g + 2S + 2\lambda g = 0. \tag{1.7}$$

The Ricci soliton is said to be *shrinking*, *steady* or *expanding* according as λ is negative, zero or positive.

2 Parallel symmetric second order tensors and Ricci solitons in f -Kenmotsu manifolds

Fix α a symmetric tensor field of $(0, 2)$ -type which we suppose to be parallel with respect to ∇ i.e. $\nabla\alpha = 0$. Applying the Ricci identity $\nabla^2\alpha(X, Y; Z, W) - \nabla^2\alpha(X, Y; W, Z) = 0$ we get the relation (1.1) of [26, p. 787]:

$$\alpha(R(X, Y)Z, W) + \alpha(Z, R(X, Y)W) = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

which is fundamental in all papers treating this subject. Replacing $Z = W = \xi$ and using (1.4) it results:

$$f^2[\eta(X)\alpha(Y, \xi) - \eta(Y)\alpha(X, \xi)] + Y(f)\alpha(\varphi^2 X, \xi) - X(f)\alpha(\varphi^2 Y, \xi) = 0, \quad (2.2)$$

by the symmetry of α . With $X = \xi$ we derive:

$$[f^2 + \xi(f)][\alpha(Y, \xi) - \eta(Y)\alpha(\xi, \xi)] = 0$$

and supposing $f^2 + \xi(f) \neq 0$ it results:

$$\alpha(Y, \xi) = \eta(Y)\alpha(\xi, \xi). \quad (2.3)$$

Let us call *regular f -Kenmotsu manifold* a f -Kenmotsu manifold with $f^2 + \xi(f) \neq 0$ and remark that β -Kenmotsu manifolds are regular.

Differentiating the last equation covariantly with respect to X we have:

$$\alpha(\nabla_X Y, \xi) + f[\alpha(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)\alpha(\xi, \xi)] = X(\eta(Y))\alpha(\xi, \xi), \quad (2.4)$$

which means via (2.3) with $Y \rightarrow \nabla_X Y$:

$$\begin{aligned} f[\alpha(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)\alpha(\xi, \xi)] &= [X(g(Y, \xi)) - g(\nabla_X Y, \xi)]\alpha(\xi, \xi) = \\ &= g(Y, \nabla_X \xi)\alpha(\xi, \xi) = f[g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)]\alpha(\xi, \xi). \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

From the positiveness of f we deduce that:

$$\alpha(X, Y) = \alpha(\xi, \xi)g(X, Y) \quad (2.6)$$

which together with the standard fact that the parallelism of α implies the constance of $\alpha(\xi, \xi)$ via (2.3) yields:

Theorem *A symmetric parallel second order covariant tensor in a regular f -Kenmotsu manifold is a constant multiple of the metric tensor. In other words, a regular f -Kenmotsu metric is irreducible which means that*

the tangent bundle does not admits a decomposition $TM = E_1 \oplus E_2$ parallel with respect of the Levi-Civita connection of g .

Corollary 1 *A locally Ricci symmetric ($\nabla S \equiv 0$) regular f -Kenmotsu manifold is an Einstein manifold.*

Remarks 1) The particular case of dimension three and β -Kenmotsu of our theorem appears in Theorem 3.1 from [7, p. 2689]. The above corollary has been proved by Olszack and Rosca in another way.

2) In [2] it is shown the equivalence of the following statements for an Kenmotsu manifold:

- i) is Einstein,
- ii) is locally Ricci symmetric,
- iii) is Ricci semi-symmetric i.e. $R \cdot S = 0$ where:

$$(R(X, Y) \cdot S)(X_1, X_2) = -S(R(X, Y)X_1, X_2) - S(X_1, R(X, Y)X_2).$$

The same implication iii) \rightarrow i) for Kenmotsu manifolds is Theorem 1 from [14, p. 438]. But we have the implication iii) \rightarrow i) in the more general framework of regular f -Kenmotsu manifolds since $R \cdot S = 0$ means exactly (2.1) with α replaced by S . Every semisymmetric manifold, i. e. $R \cdot R = 0$, is Ricci-semisymmetric but the converse statement is not true. In conclusion:

Proposition 1 *A Ricci-semisymmetric, particularly semisymmetric, regular f -Kenmotsu manifold is Einstein.*

Another class of spaces related to the Ricci tensor was introduced in [31]; namely a Riemannian manifold is a *special weakly Ricci symmetric space* if there exists a 1-form ρ such that:

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = 2\rho(X)S(Y, Z) + \rho(Y)S(Z, X) + \rho(Z)S(X, Y). \quad (2.7)$$

The same condition was sometimes called *generalized pseudo-Ricci symmetric manifold* ([12]) or simply *pseudo-Ricci symmetric manifold* ([4]). Making $X = Y = Z = \xi$ it results:

$$\xi(S(\xi, \xi)) = 4\rho(\xi)S(\xi, \xi) \quad (2.8)$$

and then for a β -Kenmotsu manifold we get $\rho(\xi) = 0$. Returning to (2.7) with $Y = Z = \xi$ will results $\rho(X) = 0$ for every vector field X and then we have a generalization of Theorem 3.3. from [1, p. 96]:

Proposition 2 *A β -Kenmotsu manifold which is special weakly Ricci symmetric is an Einstein space.*

We close this section with applications of our Theorem to Ricci solitons:

Corollary 2 *Suppose that on a regular f -Kenmotsu manifold the $(0, 2)$ -type field $\mathcal{L}_V g + 2S$ is parallel where V is a given vector field. Then (g, V) yield a Ricci soliton. In particular, if the given regular f -Kenmotsu manifold is Ricci-semisymmetric or semisymmetric with $\mathcal{L}_V g$ parallel, we have the same conclusion.*

Naturally, two situations appear regarding the vector field V : $V \in \text{span}\xi$ and $V \perp \xi$ but the second class seems far too complex to analyse in practice. For this reason it is appropriate to investigate only the case $V = \xi$.

We are interested in expressions for $\mathcal{L}_\xi g + 2S$. A straightforward computation gives:

$$\mathcal{L}_\xi g(X, Y) = 2f(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) = 2fg(\varphi X, \varphi Y). \quad (2.9)$$

A general expression of S is known by us only for the the 3-dimensional case and η -Einstein Kenmotsu manifolds. Let us treat these situations in the following:

I) [8, p. 251]:

$$\begin{aligned} S(X, Y) &= \left(\frac{r}{2} + \xi(f) + f^2\right)g(X, Y) - \\ &- \left(\frac{r}{2} + \xi(f) + 3f^2\right)\eta(X)\eta(Y) - Y(f)\eta(X) - X(f)\eta(Y) \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

where r is the scalar curvature. Then, for a 3-dimensional f -Kenmotsu manifold we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &:= (\mathcal{L}_\xi g + 2S)(X, Y) = (r + 2\xi(f) + 2f + 2f^2)g(X, Y) - \\ &- (r + 2\xi(f) + 2f + 6f^2)\eta(X)\eta(Y) - 2Y(f)\eta(X) - 2X(f)\eta(Y) \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

while, for β -Kenmotsu:

$$\alpha(X, Y) = (r + 2\beta + 2\beta^2)g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) - 4\beta^2\eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad (2.12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_Z \alpha)(X, Y) &= Z(r)g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) - \\ &- \beta(r + 2\beta + 6\beta^2)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y, \varphi Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi X, \varphi Z)]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

Substituting $Z = \xi, X = Y \in (\text{span}\xi)^\perp$ respectively $X = Y = Z \in (\text{span}\xi)^\perp$ in (2.13) we derive that r is a constant, provided α is parallel. Thus, we can state the following:

Proposition 3 *A 3-dimensional β -Kenmotsu Ricci soliton (g, ξ, λ) is expanding and with constant scalar curvature.*

Proof $\lambda = -\frac{1}{2}\alpha(\xi, \xi) = 2\beta^2$. \square

At this point we remark that the Ricci solitons of almost contact geometry studied in [30] and [34] in relationship with the Sasakian case are shrinking and this observation is in accordance with the diagram of Chinea from [3] that Sasakian and Kenmotsu are opposite sides of the trans-Sasakian moon. Also, the expanding character may be considered as a manifestation of the fact that a β -Kenmotsu manifold can not be compact.

II) Recall that the metric g is called η -Einstein if there exists two real functions a, b such that the Ricci tensor of g is:

$$S = ag + b\eta \otimes \eta.$$

For an η -Einstein Kenmotsu manifold we have, [14, p. 441]:

$$S(X, Y) = \left(\frac{r}{2n} + 1\right) g(X, Y) - \left(\frac{r}{2n} + 2n + 1\right) \eta(X)\eta(Y) \quad (2.14)$$

and then:

$$\alpha(X, Y) = \left(\frac{r}{n} + 4\right) g(X, Y) - \left(\frac{r}{n} + 4 + 4n\right) \eta(X)\eta(Y) \quad (2.15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_Z \alpha)(X, Y) &= \frac{1}{n} Z(r)g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) - \\ &- \left(\frac{r}{n} + 4n + 4\right) [\eta(Y)g(\varphi X, \varphi Z) + \eta(X)g(\varphi Y, \varphi Z)]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

Proposition 4 *An η -Einstein Kenmotsu Ricci soliton (g, ξ, λ) is expanding and with constant scalar curvature, thus Einstein.*

Proof $\lambda = -\frac{1}{2}\alpha(\xi, \xi) = 2n$. The same computation as in Proposition 3 implies constant scalar curvature. \square

3 The dynamical point of view

We begin this section with a straightforward consequence of the main Theorem, which also appears in the Olzack-Rosca paper, and is related to the last part of Corollary 2:

Corollary 3 *An affine Killing vector field in a β -Kenmotsu manifold is Killing. As consequence, that scalar provided by the Ricci soliton (g, V) of a Ricci-semisymmetric β -Kenmotsu manifold is $\lambda = -S(V, V)$.*

Proof (inspired by [10, p. 504]) Fix $X \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ an affine Killing vector field: $\nabla \mathcal{L}_X g = 0$. From Theorem it results that X is *conformal Killing* i.e. $\mathcal{L}_X g = cg$; more precisely X is *homothetic* since c is a constant. Lie differentiating the identity (1.5) along X and using $\mathcal{L}_X S = 0$ (since X is homothetic) and equation (1.6) we get $g(\mathcal{L}_X \xi, \xi) = 0$. Hence $c = (\mathcal{L}_X g)(\xi, \xi) = -2g(\mathcal{L}_X \xi, \xi) = 0$. Thus X is Killing. \square

Let us present another dynamical picture of our results. Let (M, ∇) be a m -dimensional manifold endowed with a symmetric linear connection. A *quadratic first integral* (QFI on short) for the geodesics of ∇ is defined by $\mathcal{F} = a_{ij} \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dx^j}{dt}$ with a symmetric 2-tensor field $a = (a_{ij})$ satisfying the *Killing-type equations*:

$$a_{ij;k} + a_{jk;i} + a_{ki;j} = 0, \quad (3.1)$$

where, as usual, the double dot means the covariant derivative with respect to ∇ .

The QFI defined by a is called *special* (SQFI) if $a_{ij;k} = 0$ and the maximum number of linearly independent SQFI a pair (M, ∇) can admit is $\frac{m(m+1)}{2}$; a flat space will admit this number. In [17, p. 117] it is shown that a non-flat Riemannian manifold may admit as many as $M_S(m) = 1 + \frac{(m-2)(m-1)}{2}$ linearly independent SQFI. Therefore, for an almost contact manifold ($m = 2n + 1$) the maximum number of SQFI is $M_S(2n + 1) = 1 + n(2n - 1) > 1$.

Our main result implies that for a regular f -Kenmotsu manifold the number of SQFI is exactly 1 and the only SQFI is the *kinetic energy* $\mathcal{F} = g_{ij} \frac{dx^i}{dt} \frac{dx^j}{dt}$. So:

Proposition 5 *There exist almost contact manifolds which does not admit $M_S(2n + 1)$ SQFI.*

It remains as an open problem to find examples of almost contact metrics with exactly $M_S(2n + 1)$ SQFI.

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